



Definitions

Minor	Anyone under 21 years of age
Gross Misdemeanor	Crime punishable by up to 1 year in jail and/or a \$5,000 fine
Misdemeanor	Crime punishable by up to 90 days in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine
Infraction	Offense punishable only by fine, not incarceration

Laws

- **Furnishing Alcohol To Minors** - [RCW 66.44.270\(1\)](#)
 - Is a gross misdemeanor
 - Makes it illegal to either:
 1. Provide alcohol to minors
 2. Provide minors with a place to consume alcohol

- 3. **Minor in Possession of Alcohol** - [RCW 66.44.270\(2\)\(a\)](#)
 - Is a gross misdemeanor

- Makes it illegal for any minor to possess, consume, or otherwise acquire any liquor.

- **Alcohol Consumption or Open Container in Public - [PCC 5.55.010](#)**
- Infraction (1st-\$250 Subsequent-\$500)
- Makes it illegal to consume alcohol or possess an open alcohol container in any public area ***regardless of age.***

- **Minor in Public Place Exhibiting the Effects of Having Consumed Alcohol - [RCW 66.44.270\(2\)\(b\)](#)**
- Is a gross misdemeanor
- Makes it illegal for any minor to be in a public place, or to be in a motor vehicle in a public place, while exhibiting the effects of having consumed liquor

- **Minors Frequenting Off-Limits Areas - [RCW 66.44.310](#)**
- Is a misdemeanor
- Makes it illegal for:
 1. Liquor establishments (i.e. bar) to serve minors alcohol or allow them on their premises.
 2. Minors to enter or remain in a liquor establishment.
 3. Minors to misrepresent their age (lie/use a fake I.D.) to buy alcohol or gain access to liquor establishments.

- 4. **Sales to Intoxicated Persons - [RCW 66.44.200](#)**
- Makes it illegal to:
 1. Sell alcohol to an intoxicated person (misdemeanor)
 2. Buy or consume alcohol in a liquor establishment while intoxicated (\$1025 infraction)

- 3. **Bringing Liquor in from out of State - [RCW 66.12.120](#)**
- Makes it illegal to bring more than 2 liters of wine, 2 liters of spirits and 288 ounces of beer into the state more than once per calendar month without paying tax and markup to the State of Washington.